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CHIGNIK COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT # 11

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As of 5:15 p.m. July 1, an estimated cumulative total of 336,789 sockeye salmon have passed the Chignik River weir. The early-run sockeye salmon escapement goal of 350,000 salmon is expected to be met within the next 24 to 48 hours.

The Chignik Bay and Central districts as well as the Inner Castle Cape Subsection of the Western District (273-93) will <u>remain open</u> to commercial salmon fishing <u>until further notice.</u>

Closed Waters Adjustment:

Effective **4:30 p.m. Monday, July 2** the Chignik Lagoon markers will move to Mensis Point.

Statistical charts, harvest strategies, and subsistence fishing permits are available at the Chignik weir and the Kodiak regional ADF&G offices. Commercial fishing regulations, salmon harvest, escapement, and news releases can be found on the ADF&G website at http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareachignik.salmon. Fishermen are encouraged to standby on VHF Channel 6 at 9:15 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. daily for fishery updates.